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AROUND THE WORLD WITH THE CHURCH

FOREIGN

WORLD COUNCIL FINANCES NEW WING OF GREEK MENTAL HOSPITAL. Greek foreign dignitaries witnessed the laying of the foundation stone of a new wing of the mental hospital at Daphni, near Athens, which is being financed by the World Council Churches.

For an agreement with the Greek government, the World Council undertook to meet the \$400,000 cost of the new building. In return, the government agreed to care and treat 40 mentally-ill refugees who are being aided by the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees and the U.S. Escapee Program. The building will accommodate 100 patients.

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ORTHODOX BISHOPS SCHEDULE FIRST ASSEMBLY SINCE 1951. The bishops of the Orthodox Church in Greece will hold their triennial Assembly in Athens, beginning Oct. 1st, according to an announcement of the Holy Synod.

Usually, this will be the first meeting of the hierarchy since 1951. Normally, the bishops meet every three years, but various circumstances have interrupted the practice. Officials of the Assembly will be ready for examination in March (this month).

It is expected that one of the major topics of discussion will concern the degree to which the Orthodox Church in Greece should participate in the work of the World Council of Churches and other international religious bodies.

Other topics likely to come up for discussion are the proposed reduction in number of bishops, the age at which bishops should be retired, the administration of monastery properties, and improvement of the educational and economic standards of the clergy.

It is interesting to note in reference to possible cooperation with the World Council, that last July, when the World Council central committee met at New Haven, Conn., Archbishop Michael stressed that the Eastern Orthodox Churches were opposed to the entering into any joint missionary enterprises with any other groups. At a North American Faith and Order Conference at Oberlin, O., in September, Dr. Georges Florovsky, Orthodox theologian from Harvard University, said 'there are irreconcilable differences between Orthodoxy and Protestantism'. Compare this with the recent Assembly of the International Missionary Council meeting at Achimota, Ghana:

With a vote of 58 to 7, the IMC approved merger with the World Council. Metropolitan James of Melita, a delegate of the Ecumenical Patriarchate in Istanbul, said the Eastern Orthodox Churches belonging to the World Council would support the integration plan, but only on condition that there is no change in the Council's constitution. (Note: this was the very merger, which Archbishop Michael denounced at New Haven, Conn.; yet his superiors from Istanbul have given assent. Apparently, someone has their wires crossed. - ED.)

MOSCOW PATRIARCH ASKS GREEK ARCHBISHOP TO PROTEST NUCLEAR BASES. Archbishop Theoclitus of Athens, head of the Orthodox Church in Greece, was requested by Russian Patriarch Alexei of Moscow to use his influence to prevent establishment of nuclear bases on Greek territory.

The request was made in a letter addressed to the Archbishop. It said that in event of war, the nuclear bases on the 'soil of blessed Greece' could lead to the destruction of a country 'dear to every Christian heart'. It also recalled that last June the Greek Church's Synod had issued a statement urging governments to ban atomic weapons and use nuclear energy for peaceful purposes only.



'Boo. And, I don't mean boo-hoo'.

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GREEK GOVERNMENT REJECTS HOLY SYNOD PROPOSAL ON 'COHABITATION'. The Ministry of Justice in Athens rejected proposals by the Synod of the Greek Orthodox Church that illegal cohabitation be considered a penal offense.

A decision issued by the ministry's legislative committee said if the proposal were adopted it would create 'a real scandal in society' and result in publicly exposing the innocent offspring of such unions.

The committee also rejected another Synod proposal to bar the registration of illegitimate children.

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NON-ORTHODOX ACTIVITY IN YUGOSLAVIA CRITICIZED BY PATRIARCH. At a special meeting of Serbian Orthodox clergy in Belgrade, the Patriarch Vikentije issued a critical condemnation of the 'increased activity' of non-Orthodox sects in Yugoslavia.

The Patriarch called the meeting after priest complained that 'pestering preachers' were circulating in towns and villages 'trying to attract people to their ideas and thus causing confusion'.

The meeting urged Orthodox parish priests to establish more frequent contacts with the parishioners so they could alert them against attempts by these sects to 'create a split among the faithful'.

Serbian Orthodox bishops have recently issued warnings against the activities of the sects. They particularly made mention of the Seventh-day Adventists.

- Metropolitan James (Papaioannou) of Melita, secretary of the Holy Synod of the Ecumenical Patriarchate at Istanbul had recently met with Patriarch Vikentije in Belgrade, on his way back to Istanbul from meeting with Orthodox leaders in Munich, Germany. While the subject of his talks was not disclosed, it has been conjectured that both the political and sectarian issues formed part of the discussion. - ED.

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FAR EAST ORTHODOX TRANSFERRED TO AMERICAN ARCHDIOCESE. Spiritual jurisdiction over Eastern Orthodox believers in Japan and Korea has been transferred to the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of North and South America, it was just announced from the Phanar (Seat of the Ecumenical Patriarchate in Istanbul). The announcement followed a decision by the Holy Synod, there.

Heretofore, Orthodox Christians in Japan and Korea have been under the jurisdiction of

bishop Theophylactos of Australia.

decision to transfer jurisdiction was based on the fact that the Archdiocese of North South America, which has its seat in New York, is more advantageously located to see the Orthodox in the Far East. Archbishop Theophylactos work is more concerned carrying for the needs of the migrating Greeks to the Australian area.

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CANDLE FACTORY ESTABLISHED IN NAZARETH FOR EXPORT PURPOSES. A factory for the manufacture of candles for Christian ritual purposes has been opened in Nazareth, under the patronage of Archbishop Hakim, head of the Greek Catholic Church in Israel, according to a news report from Israel.

The enterprise aims to export some 80% of its products and hopes to realize about a half million dollars annually.



'An eye for business, that's me'

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REPORT 45,000 CHRISTIAN ARABS IN ISRAEL. Christian Arabs now number 45,000; of which 30,000 live in towns, according to latest government figures.

Israel's population reached 1,976,000 at the end of 1957; of which the Moslem population totaled 147,000.

There are over 160 Christian churches, more than 100 mosques and 19 Druze shrines in Israel. (The Druzes are a comparatively small Moslem sect)

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ISRAEL ANNOUNCES TWO SCRIPTURAL CONTESTS. The 10th Anniversary Celebration of the State of Israel will have, within its framework, two contests open to all who wish to enter.

Stamp Design Contest, in which prizes will be given (1st-\$1,000, 2nd-\$500, 3rd-\$250) for the best sketches for a series of three or four new stamps, illustrating scenes from the Old Testament. Details may be had by writing to: Philatelic Services, Jerusalem, Israel.

International Bible Contest, in which national winners from a score of countries will be invited to Israel as guests of Kol Yisrael (Israel Broadcasting Service) for the international contest in Jerusalem. All questions will be translated into the language of each contestant so that there may be fullest participation. Inquiries regarding method of participation, may be addressed to: The Director, Israel Broadcasting Service, Jerusalem, Israel.

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BRAZIL TERMED 'A FRONTIER' FOR CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY ENDEAVOR. Dr. M.R. de Almeida, a Brazilian professor of religious history at Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Campinas, said his country was 'a tremendous religious vacuum' and one of the 'great frontiers'. He declared that Roman Catholicism 'never really took possession of the Brazilian continent and therefore this is one of the areas of very great religious concern which is being met', but that the Church bodies, which 'have stepped into' Brazil's religious 'vacuum' are growing 'very rapidly', and that the movement is such that 'laymen are very active'.

Heinz Dressel wrote, sometime ago, that the most important of the movements in Brazil

was the 'Assemblies of God', which have had great success among the colored people, and Baptist, Methodist, Adventist, Congregational and Presbyterian churches. He reported the churches have gained considerable influence in public life, because in Sao Paolo they have established several schools, which number among their graduates quite a number of politicians and university professors.

Mr. Dressel amplifies further by saying that there about 2,000,000 Protestants in Brazil, which is about 4% of the population. But, even with full religious freedom guaranteed, he says that Catholicism has claimed the position of State Church and are forcing thru State subsidies to build enormous Catholic schools. In Rio do Janeiro they have proclaimed that any non-Catholic sect is a danger to the State and that these sects are identified with Communism (McCarthyism a la Brazil). In this broad condemnation by Roman Catholicism, it is only natural that the some 40,000 odd Eastern Orthodox find their main protection by containing themselves within their Nationalistic origins and traditions.

- The training of native clergy is the most paramount need for any missionary effort. In line with this, a \$4,000,000 theological education fund was recently set-up for the sole aim of training native clergymen in missionary areas. \$2,000,000 was provided by the IMC and the other \$2,000,000 by John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Eastern Orthodox Churches have an equal opportunity in this field, if they merely declare themselves. In Japan and Korea, the Orthodox Church already has native priests; no reason why similar attainments cannot be realized in Brazil. - ED.

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ROME TO ESTABLISH OUTPOST ON MARS OR VENUS? A Committee of Roman Catholic theologians are reported studying the spiritual aspects of outer space with relation to supposed inhabitants of other planets.

The problem is whether the outer world creatures have a need for salvation. An Italian Jesuit writer has cited the Gospel of St. John as implying there are such creatures to whom Christianity must be taken. The Vatican is expected to deal with the spiritual problems and questions of the space age as one of its activities at the spring world's fair in Brussels.



'I always knew they'd catch up with me someday -
so, it's heigh-ho
and away we go'

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ACTION AGAINST PROSTITUTION URGED THRUOUT ASIA AND AFRICA. Drastic measures against prostitution in Asian and African countries was urged by an Indian delegate at fourth plenary session, meeting in Colombo, Ceylon, of the Asian-African Conference of World Social Workers. Many religious bodies were represented at the gathering.

Mrs. Lakshmi Menon, Indian Deputy Foreign Minister contrasted the situation with that prevailing in Communist countries like the U.S.S.R. and China, where, she said, prostitution has been abolished.

Mrs. Shirin Fozdar, of Malaya, said the prostitutes banished from Communist China have emigrated to Singapore, which has now 'been turned into one big brothel'.

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WORLD COUNCIL LEADERS TO MEET WITH RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH HEADS. An initial step toward the establishment of relations between the World Council of Churches and the Russian Orthodox Church was taken by the World Council's Executive Committee at

semi-annual meeting in London, last month.

Committee agreed to accept a suggestion by Metropolitan Nikolai of Krutitsky and a meeting would be held in August, 1958 between officials of both bodies. No place has yet been set for the meeting.

Franklin Clark Fry of New York, chairman of the Executive Committee, said: 'We have moved forward for two years to this new opportunity to discover ways in which fellowship in the East may be shared by those who profess Him.....we do not expect rapid progress.....conversations will be cumbersome, because they will have to be conducted entirely through interpreters. Moreover, the Russian Orthodox Church has not previously had association with the ecumenical movement'.

Patriarch Alexei of Moscow, in his New Year's Appeal stressed:
'.....(we) count it our duty to address the heads ofall other Christian creeds
...to display....Christian solidarity in....rendering peace unto man.....It is the
sacred duty of the Christians of the world to contribute to the attainment of this
noble goal.....'

An opportunity of cooperation will be evident in the coming summer meeting. Many will wait to see what positive steps will be taken by the Patriarchate, at that time.-ED.

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ITS FROM BOWLING ALLEY BUILD NEW GREEK CHURCH.
Metropolitan Procopius of Corinth has announced that he will shortly dedicate a new Greek Orthodox Church at Kessari, near Corinth, built through the generosity of a former villager, who emigrated to Canada as a refugee and built a flourishing business there.



The benefactor in 72-year old William Bassianotis, who left Kessari when he was 16 and eventually became owner of a successful pool hall and bowling alley. He never forgot his village, however, and weekly he put aside a share of his profits to rebuild the Church of Stotirios in memory of his father and mother.

His wife will be on hand for the dedication by Metropolitan Procopius. Mr. Bassianotis has been paralyzed since 1948 as a result of a stroke, but nevertheless made the trip to Greece in 1953 to make his dream come true. He expects to return, with his wife, to Kessari, as soon as the dedication is completed. While in Greece, they also adopted a young girl, whom they will take back with them.

While building the new church, Mr. Bassianotis spent over \$60,000 in beautifying his village. This entailed making a new road and other improvements. He also bought over 5,000 pounds of clothing and other supplies from Canada to assist the needy of that village.

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PROTESTANTS AND CONS' OF PERSECUTIONS IN COLOMBIA. The National Association of Evangelicals has opened their files of 'over 700 documented cases of persecution' of Protestants in Colombia to the 'American Society of Newspaper Editors', 'The American News-Publishers Association' and 'Sigma Delta Chi' (journalistic fraternity).

The decision to open the files was made in answer to the criticism of Rev. Father John E. Foy of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, who claimed that all the reports of said persecution were 'one-sided'. He had made his criticism in messages to each of three organizations mentioned above.

In response to this offer by the Evangelicals, Rev. Father E.K. Culhane, managing editor of the Jesuit weekly 'America', wrote an article called: 'Colombia and U.S. Missionaries'. In the article, he points out that treaties between Colombia and England (1825) and

with the U.S.A. (1846) contained 'restrictive clauses' providing that non-Catholic cults could conduct religious services ONLY in 'private houses, churches, chapels or places appointed for worship'. He added that the government forbids any 'non-Catholic' to 'proselytize in public, nor use means of propaganda outside the locale where the cult takes place'

In the same issue of 'America', March 8th, an editorial suggests that a team of social scientists be appointed to investigate alleged 'persecution' in Colombia. The editorial charges that the Evangelicals were setting up a 'pattern of misrepresentation' in their news releases.

- To clarify such facts as may or may not be mis-represented, it would be well to have the World Council of Churches and a select Committee of the Roman Catholic Church, along with a select group of newsmen, sift fact from fiction and come forth with a true picture of exactly what is existent thruout the countries 'south of the border'. (see the article on Brazil, p.5 of this issue) - ED.

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DOCUMENTARY FILM RELEASED BY RUSSIAN PATRIARCHAL CHURCH. A forty minute documentary film reviewing developments within the Russian Orthodox Church thruout the past 50 years has been completed.

The film is entitled 'High Service' and is dedicated to Patriarch Alexei of Moscow, supreme head of the Russian Church, in commemoration of his 80th birthday. It includes scenes of the visits paid to Russia during recent years by Archbishop A.M. Ramsey, of York, England as well as the delegation of the National Council of Churches in the U.S.

Also recorded are visits paid to Russia by representatives of the Orthodox Patriarchates of Jerusalem, Antioch and Alexandria; and those of the Serbian and Romanian Orthodox Churches.

The film largely covers events during and after World War II. It depicts church ceremonies in various large cities, including Moscow, Leningrad and Pskov, one of the oldest centers of Russian Orthodoxy. Also shown are glimpses of activities in the Russian monasteries, seminaries and theological academies.

Said to be the seventh film dealing with the Russian Church made in the last three years, the documentary was prepared under the supervision of Dr. Aleksei Ostapov, ass't. professor at the Moscow Theological Academy.

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SOVIET WOMEN CLING TO RELIGION DESPITE 'EMANCIPATION'. An article in 'Science and Life', organ of the Society for the Propagation of Political and Scientific Knowledge, claimed that many thousands of women have abandoned religion, but, it added, 'the majority of churchgoers in the Soviet Union are still women'.

The magazine's article was written by Elena Kononko, a scientific worker in a museum attached to a monastery in Kiev, capital of Ukraine. She explained that women are mainly engaged in household chores and remote from contact with public life and interests. 'As a result they feel lonely and defenseless against life's problems. This makes them vulnerable to the influence of preachers who say religion is the only foundation of life and the solution of problems'. Miss Kononko quoted a saying by Maxim Gorky, famous Russian author, that the 'Church is woman's oldest and worst enemy'. She charged Judaism, Islam, and Christianity as relegating women to an inferior status.

She said that many clergy do serious harm to the health of women, who need medical help, by pacifying them with 'icons, holy water and prayer'; none of which heal them - the poor women, the meantime, getting worse.

Special criticism was directed at the Salvation Army, which, she said, 'inveigles poor women to their houses of charity, where they work them until they are completely exhausted, paying them with scanty food rations, anti-Soviet propaganda and injunctions to be meek

ORTHODOX JOURNAL TO STUDY RELATIONS BETWEEN CHURCHES. A new religious publication in Athens, Greece, announced in its first issue that one of its main purposes is to serve as an open forum for discussing relations between the Orthodox Churches and all other Christian bodies, including that of Rome. The magazine will be published every two weeks, under the auspices of the faculty of theology at the University of Athens.

The major topics to be featured will be problems affecting the Orthodox Church in Greece: e.g., educational and economic status of the clergy; the fostering of church music and art; and the widening of the Church's impact on the social life of the country.

The editorial board includes Dr. Hamilcar S. Alivisatos, prominent theologian. In the first issue, Alivisatos wrote 'The Orthodox Church is obliged to examine the need for the establishment of relations - unofficial at present - with the Roman Catholic Church.....this contact should help bring about the disappearance of the schism between the two bodies, as well as the final union of the two old and great Churches, for the spiritual happiness of mankind.

Alivisatos said the Orthodox Church is also obliged 'to determine from a doctrinal viewpoint its attitude toward the Protestant Churches.....this is, necessarily, one of the main preparations of contemporary dogmatic theology, especially in this age of the ecumenical movement in which we live.'

Other members of the editorial board include Basil Vellas, former home missions director general of the Orthodox Church in Greece; Dr. Gerassimos Kondaris, dean of the faculty of theology; and Constantine Bonis, former official of the Greek Ministry of Cults.

DOMESTIC



AMERICAN WRITER CONVERTS TO GREEK ORTHODOX FAITH. Elliot Paul, 67, who has been seriously ill with a vascular-cardiac condition in the Veterans Hospital in Providence, R.I., became a member of the Orthodox Faith in bedside ceremonies on March 4th.

When Mr. Paul entered the hospital a few weeks ago he listed himself as being an 'agnostic'. He was born in Malden, Mass. of a Congregational family, on Feb. 11, 1891. He stated the reason for his conversion was from an intense admiration of Greek Orthodox friends, whose faith and warmth appealed to him.

A veteran of World War I, Mr. Paul remained in France after that war and became literary editor for the Paris office of the Assoc. Press and Chicago Tribune. Later, he founded the well-known French publication: 'Transition', along with a colleague, Eugene Jolas. In 1931 he moved to the Balearic Islands, where he was caught in the Spanish Civil War. His memories of the siege encounter of the siege of that Island capital city have been immortalized in his book: 'Life and Death of a Spanish Town'. His numerous other works deal primarily with light and shadow and mystery; both American and European scenes being depicted therein.

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WINTER ORTHODOX ACTIVITIES IN DETROIT, MICHIGAN. A growing spirit of cooperation has been evidenced in the Detroit area among the various national church groups. The Hellenic Eastern Orthodox Youth (HEOY) of Detroit, under the hands of Victor Chacho, are developing much of the groundwork for this program thru various means, including their 'Orthodox Newsletter'. Their main direction being towards an 'Americanization' of the foreign bodies. The Rev. L.L. Lilikovich, pastor of S.S. Peter & Paul Russian Orthodox Church (Detroit), set

forth the thought at a joint Service in English by saying it is the duty of all Orthodox to work jointly towards the development of an 'American Orthodox Church', which will utilize the language of America.

Rev. Christo Costa, pastor of St. Thomas Albanian Church (Detroit), has also commenced a series of biweekly lectures in English. On January 26th, he celebrated the Liturgy in English.

It is anticipated that the St. George Romanian Orthodox Cathedral, which has been forced to close its doors, due to city condemnation for other purposes, will reopen them with revitalized purpose in this same movement towards the only future of Orthodox in America. They held their last Divine Liturgy in the old building on Feb. 16th, Bishop Valerian presiding.

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ORTHODOX SUNDAY COMMEMORATED IN JOINT SERVICE IN CLEVELAND. The Orthodox Churches of Greater Cleveland gathered in the ballroom of the Hotel Cleveland the night of March 2nd for the celebration of the Vespers Service.

More than 1000 persons attended the event, which is sponsored by the Clergy Ass'n. and the Orthodox Youth Council. Fathers Peter Bohush (St. Theodosius Russian Church) and Thomas Skaff (St. George Syrian Orthodox Church) were the celebrants. Father Jason Kappanadze, who recently retired from St. Theodosius after 60 years in the priesthood, along with priests from the other national bodies assisted in the Service.

- Orthodox Sunday is commemorated in the Eastern Church as the First Sunday in the Great Fast before Easter (known in the West as Lent) - ED.

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EASTERN ORTHODOX HOLY WEEK HYMNS RECORDED. St. Mary Greek Orthodox Church Choir has just recorded a Hi-Fidelity long-playing Album, featuring the beautiful hymns of Holy Week. The album has been over a year in the making and renders a lengthy 45 minutes of the historic melodies.



Easter music, along with selections from the Good Friday Service are included. A choice 'extra' is the rarely heard Kassian's Troparion. The Choir sells the Album for \$6.95, plus 50¢ postage. All inquiries should be addressed to:

3450 Irving Avenue S. Mpls. 8, Minn.

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DON COSSACK CHORUS TO RECORD ORTHODOX CHORALS. The Hierarchs of the Russian, Grecian, Syrian and Bulgarian Orthodox Churches in America, in cooperation with the St. Nicholas Foundation, Inc, have contracted with the world-renowned director, Serge Jaroff, and his famous Don Cossack Chorus, to preserve the priceless heritage of the deep moving spiritual chorals in a series of recordings.

In line with producing this invaluable album, all work connected with the work, with the exception of the Chorus itself, is being done by volunteers gratis. All royalties from the sale of recordings will go in their entirety to the St. Nicholas Foundation, 294 Elizabeth Street, N.Y. 12, N.Y. Inquiries regarding this project can be directed to this address.

- The 'Original' Don Cossack Chorus and Dancers, Serge Jaroff, Conductor, are well-known in America. For 24 years they have been singing thruout the continent; an estimated 7,000 concerts, before millions of people, is their reported record. The popularization of the 'Volga Boatman' is said to have come from their efforts. - ED.

GENERAL PLATOFF'S DON COSSACK CHORUS APPEARING AT ORTHODOX BENEFIT. On 11th, 1958, the famed General Platoff Don Cossack and Dancers are appearing at a benefit performance in Indianapolis, Indiana. St. Stephen's Bulgarian Orthodox Church is sponsoring the occasion.

The Platoff Don Cossack Chorus was originally organized in the capital of Czechoslovakia, Prague, in 1927. Ever since its inception, the Chorus has been headed by Mr. Nicholas Kostrub who has acted simultaneously as chorus leader and administrator. They have traveled on a total of 107 different ocean liners, whilst making tours of some 65 countries, in six continents. A record for R.C.A. Victor.

This Chorus is not to be confused with that mentioned in the previous news item. These two different Chorus's are both widely known and enjoy great esteem from music lovers wherever they are privileged to hear them. - ED.

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AHEPA EASTER EXCURSION TO GREECE SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 19th. The S.S. Queen Frederica sails March 19th, 1958 from New York City on the 1958 AHEPA Easter Excursion to Greece. Supreme President C.P. Verinis is accompanying the excursion.

In addition to the sailing, on Monday, March 17th, the 13th Biennial National Banquet will be held at the Sheraton Park Hotel in Washington D.C.

For being one of the most endearing times of the year to all Greek-Americans, this excursion affords many the opportunity to return to the church of their origin that they might once more participate in the Holy Week Services, lighting their Easter candle along with their loved ones. All Greece is bedecked in gala garb for the occasion. AHEPA renders a distinct service to all those Greek-Americans who seek only the opportunity to return for the trip.

AHEPA (American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association) renders many distinct services to its membership and the Nation itself. Its National headquarters are located at 1422 K Street N.W., Washington D.C. - ED.

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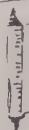
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INDIANAPOLIS ORTHODOX CHURCHES COMBINE LENTEN VESPER SERVICES. In a move to evidence the cooperating spirit among Orthodox Churches of the various National bodies, the five Orthodox Churches of Indianapolis, Indiana are holding the traditional Sunday Vesper Services of Lent (The Great Fast) in alphabetical order. For these Services, the members of all five churches will converge on the particular Orthodox Church which has the Service for the rotating Sundays.

The five churches are: Bulgarian(St.Stephen's), Greek(Holy Trinity), Romanian (S.S. Constantine & Helen), Serbian(St.Nicholas) and Syrian(St. George).

- All Orthodox Churches, as well the membership, should enter into similar cooperation in their cities, where there may be more than one Church present. - ED.

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GREEK CHURCH TO HOLD EASTER DANCE FOR ROOF REPAIRS. Easter Sunday, April 13, will be climaxed by the Greek Community benefit dance, to be held at Pleasure Pier (Tarpon Springs, Florida) at 9 P.M., with the dancers determining the closing hour.

The funds from the dance will go to put a new roof on the St.Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church of this city. A large gathering is anticipated, because on Orthodox Easter, vast crowds usually flock to Tarpon Springs from all over the country and State to participate in the Feast.

Last month, St. Nicholas was host to the World Day of Prayer for this community. The World Day of Prayer is in its 72nd year of observance and is sponsored by the United Church Women of the National Council of Churches and of the World Council of Churches. It is observed annually in 144 countries on six continents.

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GREEK ARCHDIOCESE DISCUSSING PLANS FOR A RADIO-TV COMMITTEE. In order to make possible the presentation of the many and varied aspects of the tradition, teachings, music and other key phases of the Orthodox Faith, the Greek Archdiocese is seriously considering forming a Committee on Radio-TV.

While still in the talking stage, it is inevitable that such a committee be formed, even as they exist in many of the other Major National Religions in the U.S.A.

It is thought that a definite step towards concreting this issue will be taken when the 14th Biennial Ecclesiastical Congress of the Archdiocese meets this coming autumn. The Congress, which is held every two years, constitutes the supreme law-making body of all the Greek Orthodox parishes in the Western Hemisphere on matters of community administration. However, the Congress deals almost exclusively with secular matters and problems and does not interfere in matters of doctrinal nature. The formation of such a committee and the expediting of its work would fall within the province of the Congress.

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ORTHODOX PRIEST SERVES AS GUEST CHAPLAIN IN U.S. SENATE. The Very Rev. Stephen Hallick-Holutiak of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church, Cleveland, O., served as guest chaplain as members of the Senate noted the 40th anniversary of Ukrainian Independence Day, a few weeks ago.

'Only Thou, O God, knowest of the suffering, oppression, slave labor, imprisonment, death by famine of millions of men, women and children in the Ukraine', Father Stephen said.

OLLYWOOD TO PRODUCE FOUR BIBLICAL FILMS. Four Bible-based motion pictures scheduled for production this year.

Frank Capra will produce and direct 'Joseph and His Brethren' for Columbia Pictures. Work on the picture was started in 1954 and was later suspended over a contract dispute with one of the cast. Mr. Capra is now working on the script.

David O. Selznick Productions have a film under preparation on Mary Magdalene; entitled: 'The Flesh and the Spirit', the screenplay is by Reginald Le Borg and Herbert Rudley.

An independent production company, the Mirish Company, is planning 'The Story of Abraham'. It will be released thru United Artists.

Clifford Odets is preparing a story dealing with the relationship of David and King Saul. To be produced by the Jerry Wald Company at 20th Century Fox, the story is based on Duff Cooper's book 'David'.

A non-Biblical story of the legend of the Virgin Mary and a nun, Sister Megildis, is to be filmed in Spain, in part, by Warner Brothers. The title is 'The Miracle', from a play by Max Reinhardt, which was based on a novel by Karl Vollmoeller.

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\$1,000,000 IN CHURCH CONSTRUCTION TO BE SPENT ON 'HOLY HILL'. More than \$1,000,000 will be spent on developing church structures on a 24-acre hilltop site in East Oakland, California. The section has received the name of 'Holy Hill'.

The Greek Orthodox Church purchased a six-acre plot adjacent to 18 acres on which the Frimons will build a temple.

Groundbreaking ceremonies for the \$1,000,000 Orthodox Church, which will seat 1,100 are set for May. A 34-unit educational building will also be erected.

Surrounding the Church a landmark for miles around will be a dome reaching up 65 feet from the ground.

The Frimons already have under construction a \$1,500,000 tabernacle, recreation hall and a chapel. The temple will be built in five years.

The Oakland area is noted for its hilltop religious edifices. Nearby, on another hill, are the Roman Catholic Holy Name College, the Seventh-day Adventist Golden Gate Academy, and the First Lutheran Church.

Four of neighboring Berkeley's six seminaries are also perched atop a hill just north of the University of California. They are the Pacific School of Religion, Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Pacific Lutheran Seminary, and Starr King School for the Ministry.

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IV OAS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM. The Organization of American States (OAS) has announced that a new scholarship program for advanced study for qualified persons of all republics of the Western Hemisphere is expected to be in operation by the coming September.

A \$360,000 allocation will provide for about 170 scholarships this year, and future plans call for a minimum of 500 scholarships annually. Grants will vary according to each individual case. Fellowships will be granted only for study outside the applicant's country of permanent residence and to applicants with advanced training in a specialized field. Also, after postgraduate studies, the applicant must agree to work at his specialization in his home country for a specified time set by the sponsoring government.

Application forms will be available from the Pan American Union, Washington D.C.-ED.

EPISCOPALIAN 'BISHOP-ELECT' HONORED BY ORTHODOX FELLOWSHIP. The Very Rev. James A. Pike, Dean of the Cathedral of St. John Divine, received early this month a special citation from the Eastern Orthodox Advisorship and the Orthodox Christian Fellowship of Columbia University, N.Y., N.Y.

The citation congratulated the Dean on his recent election as Bishop Coadjutor of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of California and thanked him for his interest in Orthodox affairs. During his chaplaincy at Columbia University, Dean Pike established several courses on the Orthodox Church.

- Columbia University is the location at which St. Vladimir's Orthodox Seminary carries on its teaching program, in conjunction with Union Theological Seminary. St. John Divine Cathedral is located only a few blocks from Columbia University Campus and has within its Cathedral a small side-chapel fitted out with Orthodox icons and other furnishings. The Episcopalian Church leads most Protestant bodies in fraternal relations with the Eastern Orthodox Communions in this country.-ED.

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NEW RELIGIOUS-MOTIF POSTAGE STAMP ISSUED. An 8-cent stamp bearing the motto 'In God We Trust' is being released March 22nd at Cleveland, O. The new stamp, like the one in use since 1954, will display a picture of the Statue of Liberty with the motto over the statue's crown. It is to be done, however, with the new improved printing method employed by using the Giori color press. It will be red, white and blue in color. The 8-cent stamp of 1954 was the first regular postal issue of the U.S. to bear the 'In God We Trust' motto.



On April 18th, one of the Nation's oldest historic Churches, the Old North Church (Episcopal) of Boston, will become the first Church to be pictured on an official cancellation for U.S. mail. The cancellation will incorporate a view of the Church and its famous belfry and will be used on all first day covers for the 25¢ stamp picturing Paul Revere that will be issued at Boston that day.

The 25¢ stamp, a new value for postage stamps for regular use, is the first to ever honor the famous patriot, who upon seeing the two lanterns hung in the North Church belfry, indicating that British troops were moving by sea, took off by horse to warn 'minute men' at Lexington and Concord.

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DELINQUENCY LINKED WITH LACK OF PARENTAL TEACHING OF SELF-CONTROL. Prof. Maurice L. Farber, social psychologist at the University of Connecticut, made a recent study of the basic psychological characteristics of England and the U.S. He surmised, from his study, that the British child is trained with a different philosophy in mind, than is the average American child.

The Englishman, he explained, feel that their society must bring forth individuals who will never be a nuisance to other people - they embody this principle in bringing up children with a reserved demeanor. The American, on the other hand, cultivates self-expression in the children - and applauds 'cute' behavior. As a result, the American lacks a great deal of discipline as well as respect for others. There is no basic self-control for the rights of others.

The professor feels Americans should adopt something from the English; and the English should moderate their 'stiffness' - the perfected 'type' being disciplined, yet warm.

- A recent Senate survey(N.Y.State Senate) on Juvenile Delinquency;- Sub-committee hearings - revealed that some 1,000,000 switch-blade knives are sold yearly; 90% are sold to young people between the ages of 11 and 20; the majority of knives being purchased by those under the age of 16. This age group coincides with the age span of N.Y. youth gangs. Such sales indicate Prof. Farber's thesis that lack of self-respect exists.- ED.

CHURCHES URGED TO AID NEWSPAPERS IN GIVING REPORTS ON RELIGION.
The Nation's Press is giving more and more space to religious happenings, individual churches, as well as church bodies, have a responsibility of providing the Press with responsible and accurate information; information that is vital and fresh. This was the consensus of opinion at the 2nd Annual Church News Clinic, held at the University of Missouri last month.

E.F. English, dean of the School of Journalism at that University, said there is an increasing reader interest in religious items, but that the Press has insufficient reporters to cover religious events and churches. He suggested that churches have their own means set up to provide the Press with this news. A careful distinction was made, however, between 'church news' and 'religious news' - the distinction was that the first is 'institutional' and the second 'deals with ideas' - the second being the more important, by far.

Missouri Radio Broadcasters Ass'n. also suggested that the churches phone or write their local Radio Stations to tell them of the most important developments as they occur.

Never was better advice ever rendered to churches, for their own promotion and benefit, than what has here been said. - ED.

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IRON CURTAIN RELIGIOUS DELEGATIONS CALLED 'PERIL'.
Senator J.O. Eastland (D.-Miss.) stated clearly that such delegations of religious leaders are 'invariably under strict control of Communist secret police'. He made the charge in releasing printed copies of the testimony given by four refugee clergymen from Communist prisons at a public hearing June 20, 1957.

Senator charged that 'with rare exceptions leaders of churches and the Iron Curtain today are either dedicated Communists or persons who have sold out to the Red rulers to achieve positions of power.....Our evidence shows that some of these 'priests' actually are Red agents especially trained to misuse the churches while hiding under clerical garb'.

The printed testimony is published as Report #71 in the Internal Security Subcommittee's study of 'Soviet activity in the U.S.'. Available by writing to the Supt' of Documents, Gov't. Printing Office, Washington 25, D.C.



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IN THE COURTS



FATHER PETITIONS COURT TO REMOVE DAUGHTER FROM CONVENT. Circuit Judge Glen Hieber, Hillsboro, Oregon, was presented with this problem of Ivan R. Miller, who is seeking to remove his daughter Alice from St. Mary's Convent at Beaverton. The girl is 19, and Mr. Miller testified that the girl's mind had been 'brainwashed' in order to make her reluctant to leave the convent.

The Miller family has two daughters; both were originally educated in Catholic Parochial schools and upon reaching age, they both announced they had become Catholics and were leaving their parents. The one, Lois, 20, entered Maryhurst College, a Catholic institution, and the other is in the convent.

The Judge announced he would have to take the petition for a writ of habeas corpus under advisement, because a 'good bit of law' was involved. 'We are not dealing with religious concepts here', he said, 'only with points of law'.

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ARGUMENTS FILED ON AUGUSTA, MAINE, PAROCHIAL BUS ISSUE. Attorneys for both sides in the the city's legal battle over the use of public funds for bus transportation of parochial school students filed written arguments with Superior Court Justice Harold C. Marden, Augusta, Maine.

The Augusta Taxpayers Ass'n. is seeking to enjoin the city from spending a token \$250 appropriated by the City Council last June for just such transportation. Besides the basic Church-State issue, the Ass'n. contended that the City Council had acted without proper consideration by the duly elected Board of Election; and that if such action was countenanced, the Council could by-pass the School Board in other matters, such as hiring the teachers, fixing curriculum and building new schools.

The entire proceeding stemmed from a series of circumstances, which came to a head a year ago (March, 1957). At that time, a massed Roman Catholic parents league told the city to either provide transportation for their some 950 parochial school children or they would register the children, en masse, in the public schools and let come what might in the resulting confusion. The Mayor, H. Lloyd Carey, a Roman Catholic, begged

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parents to desist, until a court test of the matter could be had. Most parents heeded request and the case, now being awaited on, is the result. Both sides have already pronounced that, regardless of the decision, it will be taken to the U.S. Supreme Court.

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YUGOSLAV THEOLOGY PROFESSOR SENTENCED. Dr. Dragoslav Stranjakovic, a professor at the Serbian Orthodox Faculty of Belgrade University, and a noted Yugoslav historian, was sentenced to six years imprisonment on charges of plotting to overthrow Communist government.

He had been brought to trial along with two prewar Socialist leaders and a law professor of Belgrade University for allegedly forming a 'hostile group' against Tito.

Other defendants were sentenced in February to prison terms of from 4 to 8 years. However, Dr. Stranjakovic had been taken ill during the hearings and had been tried separately; originally he had been arrested Dec. 2nd.

Church officials of the Serbian Orthodox Patriarchate attended the trial. Dr. Stranjakovic admitted that some anti-Communist documents had been found in his desk, but denied that any of his writings were opposed to the government. (His office was in the Patriarchate building).

This was the first group political trial in Yugoslavia since Metropolitan Arsenije of Belgrade and a number of Orthodox priests had been tried and sentenced in 1954 for alleged anti-State activity.

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MELISH FACING POSSIBLE CONTEMPT. Attorneys for Dr. Herman S. Sidener, rector of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Brooklyn, N.Y., asked the Brooklyn Supreme Court to cite Rev. Melish for contempt, because of his alleged refusal to surrender the church's physical properties.

Dr. Sidener has been trying to gain possession of Holy Trinity and its rectory since last summer when the Court of Appeals unanimously upheld his election as rector of the church. The court had affirmed an earlier decision by the Appellate Division of the Brooklyn Supreme Court that his election in 1956 was legal.

Rev. Melish pleaded not guilty, in an affidavit presented in defense of the contempt charge. He stated he was staying at the rectory as a guest of his father, Dr. John Howard Melish; that in 1951, he was given permission by the vestry to live there as long as he might wish. He said: 'There is no mandate which directs me to vacate the rectory and none which directs my father to do so'.

The pending case in Brooklyn Supreme Court is an action to give Dr. Sidener control of about \$100,000 in cash and securities belonging to the church.

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CHURCH ADVISES PRAYER TO SETTLE CHURCH DISPUTE. Factions of a church, involved in a property dispute, were told by a Superior Court Judge in Atlantic City, N.J., to settle their difference 'on their knees'.

Justice Lester A. Drenk advised prayer as a solution to a dispute among members of the St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church, Millville, Cumberland County. The suit was over the claim that a former rector had not turned over all church property to his successor.

'It's hard to understand,' Judge Drenk told members of both factions in the courtroom, 'that professed Christians could become so bitter as to bring a matter involving only

dollars and cents into court'. He added: 'this controversy should be resolved by members of both groups on their knees in prayer to demonstrate the right to be called Christians. I hope in that way the Holy Spirit will enter your hearts and reunite the parish'.

Judge Drenck continued a restraining order on the Rev. Aristarch Kozubinsky, who was discharged as rector by Archbishop Vitaly Maximenko on January 25th. The Rev. Kivan Karis was appointed acting-rector. The present rector claims the former rector has withheld certain church property, including vestments, etc. The former rector declares that some of the items demanded are his own personal property.



'Only one hitch, Judge, the Russians only pray standing'

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COURT OVER-RULES CATHOLIC OBJECTIONS TO QUARRYING NEAR STATUE. The Scottish Land Court in Edinburgh, Scotland overruled all Roman Catholic objections to a government-sponsored quarry operations near the site of the projected memorial statue of the Madonna and Child on the Island of South Uist.

The Court ruled that the work on the island, in connection with the government's guided missile range, would not interfere with the planned 25-foot statue. However, Father John Morrison, parish priest of Uist, said he regarded the court decision as 'almost barbaric'. He said: 'Imagine, the quarrying is likely to come within 94 yards of the statue'.

The statue will be dedicated to 'Our Lady of the Isles'. Weighing 65 tons, it will be made of granite from the Scotch quarries at Creeton. It is expected to last 1000 years.



'Aha! A case of the statue vs the statue'

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PRIEST GETS LIFE TERM FOR MURDERING MISTRESS. Father Guy Desnoyers, 38, Roman Catholic priest, who was tried in Nancy, France for murdering his 19-year old mistress and child she was about to bear, was sentenced to life imprisonment at hard labor.

As sentence was pronounced, he stood impassive. A seven-man jury had recommended that he should be spared the guillotine. The priest had freely admitted affairs with other women and, clutching a crucifix, had said 'I sincerely ask forgiveness of God and the Church...'

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ARGENTINE PRELATE WARNS ADOPTED CHILDREN IN 'DANGER TO THEIR SOUL' Roman Catholic Bishop Guillermo Bolatti of Buenos Aires said the Church is 'gravely concerned' over the danger of Catholic children losing their Faith when adopted by married couples who are not Catholics. He said such adoptions may cause 'grave danger to their souls'.

Bishop Bolatti noted that the Argentine law does not take the religious factor into account when legally deciding adoption cases. He stated he wanted the law to be amended to stipulate that the adoptee must be of the same religion as the child.

The bishop's action stemmed from an Argentine Supreme Court decision of last December, which revoked a lower court ruling and gave a Jewish married couple the legal right to adopt an unidentified Catholic boy in whose home they said he had been living. The higher court based its verdict on a clause of the national constitution which bans religious discrimination in such cases.

COURT ASKED TO RULE ON CHILDREN'S RELIGION. The question of whether a woman separated from her husband may change the religion of their children has been argued before the Massachusetts State Supreme Court.

Judge R.G. Wilson Jr., of Suffolk Probate Court in Boston, referred the question to the state's highest judiciary after hearing a complicated case that crossed religious lines. Involved in the controversy are Stuart E. Crowell Jr., 33, his estranged wife, Roberta L., 28, and their four children under seven years of age.

The couple had appeared before Judge Wilson in a hearing on the husband's petition for modification of an earlier probate court decree granting the children's custody to Mrs. Crowell. The husband was seeking an injunction to restrain his wife 'from causing the religion of our children to be changed from the faith in which they were baptized, to wit, the Episcopal'.

According to court testimony, Mr. Crowell claims he is a Baptist. Mrs. Crowell was raised a Roman Catholic, became an Episcopalian when she was 13, and now plans to return to her original religion. The mother stated she intended to have all the children baptized to the Roman Faith. The husband demanded that the children be allowed to remain Episcopalians.

'There are many questions involved here', said Judge Wilson in referring the case to the higher court. 'Whether a mother can in good conscience change the religion of her children to one she herself has not yet adopted; whether a child's religion is fixed by baptism or not; whether a child who has not been baptized can be given a religion different from that of the parents; whether a child who has been baptized in one religion and now is mentally deficient (one of the four children is in a school for the retarded) may have its religion changed'.

In a series of other decisions related to marriage-adoption and religion, it is to be noted: -

Superior Court Judge Charles H. House, Bridgeport, Conn., ruled that pre-marital agreements, by which non-Catholics promise to raise their children as Catholics, cannot be legally enforced in Connecticut, as the State Constitution declares:

'no person shall by law be compelled to join or support, nor to be classed with or associated to, any congregation, church or religious organization'.

Judge George Kroncke, Jr., Dane County - Wisconsin, ruled that a Jewish couple had a perfect right to adopt a Christian child; he added: 'The mother has given the child nothing but birth, and this court will not tear the child away from the adoptive parents just because the mother wants it'.

Probate Judge E.H. Jagoe, Westport - Conn., awarded custody of a 2-year old girl (daughter of a Roman Catholic couple) to her Jewish foster parents. The Jewish couple have raised the child since she was 5 days old. The parents sought to regain the child, but the Judge stated: 'this was a planned adoption at the natural parents' suggestion....they did not want the child....the mere change of mind....is not sufficient cause for denying an adoption'.

The U.S. Supreme Court, Washington D.C., rejected an appeal by a Baltimore, Md. Lutheran couple that they be permitted to adopt a child whose natural mother professed the Roman Catholic Faith. The Maryland State Court of Appeals had ruled that the Baltimore City Circuit Court had acted properly in denying the application for adoption, in the first instance. Even though the Baltimore Public Welfare Board had given its consent to the adoption, the Court held that the petitioning couple was too old for the best interests of an infant child (they hadn't heard of Abraham, Sarah, Isaac - ED.) The Court also held that the fact that the adopting couple were of a different Faith than the natural mother also made adoption 'unwise'. (The mother, who has had three illegitimate children, has never had any of the children baptized.)

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APPEALS COURT UPHOLDS BAN ON ATHEISTIC TEACHERS. The Third District Court of Appeals, Miami, Florida, upheld a decision rendered last year by Circuit Judge G.L. Crawford, who had held that a University and School Board has the right to refuse both education and teaching opportunity to anyone having fanatical ideas...such as those of atheism.

Thomas C. Robinson, 37, is a self-professed atheist that sought an opportunity to intern for a teaching position in the Dade County School Board system. The University of Miami committee on student teaching refused him the practice teaching course because of his views as a 'militant and fanatical atheist'. In turn, Mr. Robinson sought redress thru the courts to enable him to continue his object. This had been rejected.

The Appeals Court held that no university has the right of arbitrary dismissal; but may act, without divulging reasons, if the intent is to safeguard ideals of scholarship and moral atmosphere. In addition, a university should consider itself obligated not to graduate any new teacher having fanatical ideas, which if imposed on impressionable minds might cause injury.

Joseph Lewis, president of the Freethinkers of America, said his organization would appeal this decision to the Florida Supreme Court and had authorized Louis Glick, an attorney of Miami, to so act on their behalf. Mr. Lewis, whose offices are in New York City, said the university's action was 'not only a flagrant and arbitrary abuse of power, but an insult to education itself.' He added, 'It is our sober opinion, that no university or court in this country has the right or power to censor the intellectual development and honest conviction of any individual'.

'I wonder what Socrates would say to this?'



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SUIT INSTITUTED AGAINST AUTHOR FOR 'INSULTING' POPE. Legal authorities in Rome have commenced proceedings against French writer Roger Peyrefitte for alleged serious attacks on Pope Pius XII, the Vatican, and the nephews and entourage of the Pope.

The writer, who is in Sicily, was charged with violating Article 8 of the Italy-Vatican concordat, which makes insults to the Pope punishable in the same way as insults to the Italian head of state.

Mr. Peyrefitte also accused the Pope of meddling in the internal affairs of Italy and attempting to override the strictly lay status of the Vatican State. He said: 'The people of Rome cheer the Pope without understanding the true and frightful meaning and the political tyranny involved in the expression 'Our Rome' often repeated by the Pope'.

The Public Prosecutor's office took action after a formal protest against Mr. Peyrefitte's published statement was lodged with the Italian government by Archbishop Giuseppe Fietta, Papal Nuncio to Italy. Mr. Peyrefitte, a former French diplomat, is the author of books on the Catholic Church. If found guilty, he could be sentenced to from one to six years imprisonment.

Following this sequence of events, a member of the Italian Cabinet - Signor Guido Carli - openly confirmed his friendship and support of Mr. Peyrefitte by sending a cordial message to him. The Premier - Adone Zoli - is reported to have been exceedingly embarrassed, along with the rest of the Cabinet, who are all Christian Democrats (Catholics). Signor Carli was reported to have told the Premier that he would resign from the Cabinet but would not disown his friend, Mr. Peyrefitte. The Premier apparently backed down quickly in order to avoid a Cabinet crisis, which would cause the Christian Democrat Party severe troubles in the coming Spring General Elections. (Signor Carli being the only Independent in the Cabinet).

WE VEXED OVER CONVICTION OF ITALIAN BISHOP ON CRIMINAL DEFAMATION. The Most Rev. Pietro Fiordelli, Bishop of Prato, was convicted early this month of criminal defamation of character and fined 40,000 lire, subject to a five year suspension, the Pope reported as deeply disturbed. Others, of his command, expressed themselves openly: -

Cardinal Lercaro, Archbishop of Bologna, ordered church mourning thruout his See, protest against the 'intolerable and paradoxical' situation threatening 'the liberty and dignity of the Church'. His churches will all be draped with black on the doors and the sextons have been instructed to sound the death knells for five minutes every evening.

L'Espresso of Rome, official organ of the Catholic Action movement, said that this trial was added unto the trials of Catholic bishops in Communist China.

Giuseppe Fanfani, secretary of the ruling Christian Democrat Party, spoke at a rally in Trent and said the conviction 'fills us with grief'. He denied that the Church was meddling in politics.

The guilty Bishop had been tried for a pastoral letter he wrote in 1956, in which he described marriages not celebrated in church as 'scandalous concubinage' and persons so married as 'public sinners'. In particular, he singled out one such marriage, that of a young Prato woman, Bellani by name, and had them publicly branded as being 'sinners'. The Bellani's sued on the basis that they couldn't be 'public sinners' for doing something which had been done according to Italian Law, i.e.- civil marriage.

A panel of three judges heard the case and deliberated for four hours before rendering their decision. The Bishop announced the decision would be appealed.

In Washington D.C., an organization known as 'Protestants and Other Americans for Separation of Church and State' described the conviction as 'one of the most significant victories of religious tolerance in our times'. They also offered to back any 'bona-fide Catholic or ex-Catholic' who wished to sue his priest or Bishop for 'libels or slanders' arising out of the Catholic teaching that civil marriage for Catholics results in 'concubinage'.
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PRISONER JAILED IN POLAND FOR INTERFERING WITH BURIAL CEREMONY. The Father Jozef Czarnecki, of Zuzomin, agitated a mass protest against the burial of the Mayor - Stanislaw Nihl - on the grounds he was a Communist. The priest led the group to the cemetery gate, blocking it against passage by the funeral procession. He then led a verbal onslaught, in which there were two policemen severely beaten. He then began to shout to the dead and to those who were in the burial party. He was reported as to having said among other things: 'Turks, suicides and Communists should be buried by the wall'.... and his supporters adding: '...bury him under a rubbish dump'.

Catholic officials turned the priest and seven of his most belligerent supporters over to the Law Province Prosecutor's office on grounds of contravening the law which guarantees freedom of conscience and religion.

'And we thought
we knew the
insides of
these Christians'



March

The CALENDAR Days
March 1958

2nd - First Sunday
Great Fast

9th - Second Sunday
Great Fast

16th - Third Sunday
Great Fast

23rd- Fourth Sunday
Great Fast

25th - ANNUNCIATION

30th - Fifth Sunday
Great Fast

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1959	March 16	May 3	March 11	March 28
1960	Feb. 29	April 17	March 2	April 17
1961	Feb. 30	April 9	Feb. 15	April 22
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1964	March 17	April 14	Feb. 11	April 14
1965	March 8	April 25	March 3	April 18
1966	Feb. 21	April 10	Feb. 28	April 10
1967	March 13	April 30	Feb. 28	March 26
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1969	March 31	April 21	Feb. 2	April 14
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April

The CALENDAR Days
April 1958

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